

REMARKS

Claims 26-28 have been amended. No claims have been added or canceled. Accordingly, claims 26-30 are currently pending in the application.

PRIORITY

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's acknowledgement of the claim for priority and safe receipt of the certified priority document.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 26-28 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's objections.

35 U.S.C. §112

The claims have been amended to overcome the Examiner's objections and rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 26-30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being anticipated by Takashima et al. This rejection is traversed as follows.

The claims, as amended, now recite language directed to the so-called "down cutting" method. According to this method, the substrate is advanced in the same direction as the rotation of the blade. For example, as recited in claim 26, the cutting blade is moved while feeding the wiring substrate and the resin body in the same direction as the rotation of the cutting blade.

On the other hand, Takashima et al disclose a block molding method in which an ordinary dicer cuts the resin by rotating blade 92 (see column 17, line 54). Takashima et al do not disclose the relationship between the rotation of the cutting blade and the direction in which the substrate that is being cut is fed. Therefore, it is submitted that the pending claims patentably define the present invention over the cited art.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant contends that the above-identified application is

now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested.

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